

### REMARKS

According to the Office Action, claims 27, 36 and 37 are allowed.

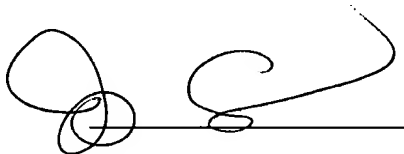
Pages 5, 8 and 13 have been amended to conform to the mutation at codon 83 shown in Figure 3C.

The designation K42E has been changed to K83E and the amino acid where the mutation is present has been changed from 42 to 83.

Attached are the Declarations of Part Peterson, Maarit Lahti, Kai Krohn, Hamish Steele Scott, Maria Laliot, Nobuyoshi Shimizu and Jun Kodoh that state that the description of the mutation being at amino acid 42 instead of at amino acid 83 was the result of a typographical error and that the error was discovered when they were submitting the manuscript for the article "Positional Cloning of the APECED Gene" to Nature Genetics.

It is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance and favorable consideration is respectfully submitted,

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. I. Cord', written over a horizontal line.

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